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AMCONSUL GUAYAQUIL

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: "PIRATE" FISHING BOATS IN ECUADOREAN CLAIMED WATERS

REF: QUITO 8075

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS IN QUITO'S NOV. 5 MORNING PAPERS THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF MANTA'S FISHING BOAT OWNERS UNION HAS DENOUNCED TO THE MANTA PORT CAPTAIN THE PRESENCE OF LARGE NUMBERS OF FOREIGN "PIRATE" FISHING BOATS IN ECUADOREAN TERRITORIAL WATERS.

2. THE UNION OFFICIAL CHARGED THAT THE FOREIGN VESSELS ARE
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FAST, EFFICIENT BOATS UP TO 1,000 TONS THAT ARE EQUIPPED

WITH RADAR AND HELICOPTERS. HE FURTHER SAID THAT THE BOATS ARE CATCHING VIRTUALLY ALL TUNA OVER LARGE AREAS.

3. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS THE PORT CAPTAIN ASKED THE UNION TO PROVIDE SHIP NAMES, CHARACTERISTICS AND FLAGS, SO AS TO ASCERTAIN IF THE BOATS IN QUESTION ARE AMONG THOSE LEGALLY LICENSED. THE UNION CLAIMED THAT THE BOATS ARE TOO FAST TO APPROACH CLOSELY AND, WHEN THE HELICOPTERS NOTICE THE APPROACH OF NATIONAL VESSELS, THEY MOVE OUT OF TERRITORIAL WATERS.

4. GUAYAQUIL'S EL TELEGRAFO, EDITION OF NOV. 5, QUOTES THE COMMANDER OF THE FIRST NAVAL ZONE, CONMANDER JARAMILLO, AS SAYING THAT THE BOATS IN QUESTION ARE IN FACT PROPERLY LICENSED TO FISH IN ECUADOREAN WATERS. THE PAPER, HOWEVER, REPEATED CHARGES THAT THE FOREIGN BOATS CATCH ALL TUNA IN LARGE AREAS, LEAVING NOTHING FOR LOCAL FISHERMEN WITH MORE PRIMITIVE TECHNOLOGY. ACCORDING TO EL TELEGRAFO'S SOURCES, THE FOREIGN RASSELS USE A TECHNIQUE WHICH CATCHES ALL FISH, NOT JUST TUNA, THEREBY THREATENING OTHER SPECIES.
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